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For: NUCLEIC ACID PURIFICATION METHOD  
AND PURIFICATION APPARATUS

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated June 2, 2005, finally rejecting claims 28-31, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.